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<p>In re U.S. Patent Application of Kuwahara, S. et al.</p> <p>Application No. 10/531,511 ✓</p> <p>Int'l Appln. No. PCT/JP2003/13316</p> <p>Int'l Filing Date: October 17, 2003</p> <p>For: LIQUID DISCHARGE APPARATUS AND LIQUID DISCHARGE METHOD</p>	<p>Examiner: Not yet assigned</p> <p>Art Unit: Not yet assigned</p> <p>Confirmation No.: 9094</p> <p><u>CERTIFICATE OF MAILING</u></p> <p>I hereby certify that on 07 February 2006 this paper is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as Express Mail – Label No. EV328242552US in an envelope addressed to:</p> <p>Mail Stop PCT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450</p> <p><i>Paula M. Theismann</i> Signature Paula M. Theismann</p>
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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 USC 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 USC 371 for the above-captioned matter dated 10 January 2006 (copy attached), the Applicants respectfully submit the executed Power of Attorney and Declaration and a credit card payment PTO Form 2038 in the amount of \$130.00 to cover the surcharge.

Please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment in connection with this filing to our Deposit Account No. 19-3140. A duplicate copy of this letter is attached.

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- Copy of the International Application filed on 04/15/2005
- English Translation of the IA filed on 04/15/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 04/15/2005
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 04/15/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 04/15/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 04/15/2005
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 04/15/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 04/15/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 04/15/2005

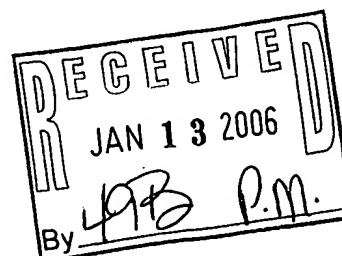
The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:



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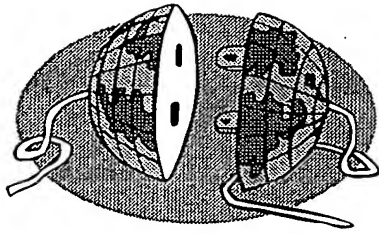
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